total cost of Rs. 2908.82 lakh and (b) Rural Sanitation facilities in Khammam District with total cost of Rs. 1462.59 lakh were approved during 1998-99. Another project of Total Sanitation Campaign in Khammam District was approved at total cost of Rs. 918.80 lakh during 1999-2000.

**Implementation Status of IAEPS**

745. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the objective, target and achievement of IAEPS and the details of future strategy;

(b) the State-wise implementation status of IAEPS implemented during the Eighth Five Year Plan and the first two years of the Ninth Five Year Plan including allocation made and amount utilised by each State; and

(c) the details of pending proposals and reasons for very low coverage of those schemes in Assam and action contemplated to accelerate during Ninth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The National Afforestation & Eco-Development Board (NAEB) in the Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing an Integrated Afforestation & Eco-Development Project (IAEP) Scheme, Objectives of this scheme are given in the Statement-I. (*See* below) This is an On going Scheme and will continue during the Ninth Plan Period subject to continuation of the scheme. The details of funds released and utilised during the Eighth Five Year Plan and the first two years of the Ninth Five Year Plan, State-wise are given in the Statement-II (*See* below)

(c) Six IEAP projects have been sanctioned for Assam State at a total cost of Rs. 415.05 lakhs (including Rs. 20.00 lakhs for maintenance of Karbi Anglong Project) for the IX Plan.

One project proposal for Nagaon district of Assam State under Integrated afforestation & Eco-Development Project Scheme has been received for development of 500 ha. of degraded lands at a cost of Rs. 70.00 lakhs for consideration/approval. The projects aims at development of lands in Kalai Valley, Jamuna, Kalong and Kakki Micro-Watersheds during the IX Plan. The sanction of the IAEP project proposals depend upon their viability, conformity with the Guidelines of the Scheme and availability of funds.

**Statement-I**

Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Development Project Scheme (IAEPS)

Objectives:—

— Regeneration and eco-development of degraded forests and adjoining areas on a watershed basis and augmentation of the availability of wood and non-wood forest products.

— Ecological restoration and environmental conservation and eco-development.

— Securing people's participation in planning and implementation of project to ensure their sustainability and equity.

— Development and extension of technologies for special problem lands like saline/alkaline soils, ravines, mined areas etc.

**Statement-II**

*Funds released and utilised under IAEP Scheme during Eighth Plan period and first two years of the Ninth Plan period.*

(Rs. in lakhs)

| State | Eighth Plan* (1992 to 1996-97) | | Ninth Plan (1997-98 & 1998-99) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Released | Utilised | Released | Utilised |
| Andhra Pradesh | 1284.29 | 1146.74 | 143.51 | 104.16 |
| Arunachal Pd. | 369.22 | 367.13 | 80.15 | 73.15 |
| Assam | 206.57 | 206.57 | 105.35 | 85.35 |
| Bihar | 188.99 | 79.80 | 82.55 | 65.84 |
| Goa | 43.22 | 38.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Gujarat | 403.09 | 424.36 | 49.63 | 51.80 |
| Haryana | 1129.55 | 1137.20 | 171.93 | 171.93 |
| Himachal Pd. | 1185.67 | 1156.27 | 52.28 | 6.00 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 1892.47 | 1839.78 | 458.03 | 379.50 |
| Karnataka | 1303.11 | 1222.44 | 181.14 | 173.15 |
| Kerala | 270.27 | 164.57 | 334.50 | 297.91 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 2706.78 | 2590.93 | 510.29 | 450.51 |
| Maharashtra | 243.07 | 251.43 | 155.74 | 19.18 |
| Manipur | 988.70 | 966.79 | 382.02 | 358.48 |
| Meghalaya | 803.27 | 799.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Mizoram | 635.28 | 635.28 | 173.37 | 154.97 |
| Nagaland | 405.80 | 249.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Orissa | 515.33 | 430.19 | 176.60 | 73.31 |
| Punjab | 794.28 | 787.71 | 95.37 | 67.74 |
| Rajasthan | 3686.37 | 3755.67 | 495.64 | 428.93 |
| Sikkim | 1518.29 | 1518.62 | 305.69 | 275.83 |
| Tamil Nadu | 206.60 | 183.53 | 18.02 | 3.77 |
| Tripura | 366.15 | 337.86 | 123.57 | 89.22 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 3280.15 | 3252.83 | 614.95 | 640.23 |
| West Bengal | 1714.71 | 1600.07 | 141.24 | 137.06 |
| Swarna Jayanti Kunj | 0.00 | 0.00 | 587.00 | 0.00 |
| Total: | 26141.23 | 24945.03 | 5438.57 | 4108.02 |

* The information includes amounts released and utilised during 1990-91 to 1992-93 of VIIIth Plan.